

CHILD CARE PROGRAM REPORTING NOTIFICATION

Child Abuse

The reporting of suspected child abuse situations is a personal obligation as well as a professional and legal one. Minnesota State Statute, 245A.145, Subd. 1, requires that any of my employees/helpers or I report any form of physical, sexual or emotional abuse or neglect of any child in my care. Anyone employed under my Family Child Care license who has reason to believe or suspects maltreatment has occurred will immediately contact the following: (within 24 hours)

1. Isanti County Social Services Intake at 763-689-1711
2. Local Law Enforcement (police or sheriff); and
3. Isanti County Child Care Licensing at 763-689-1711

Any person picking up a child in an impaired condition (under the influence of drugs or alcohol) will be encouraged to allow me to find alternate transportation. I cannot legally withhold a child from a parent or legal guardian; however, I will not hesitate to call the police if I feel the child is in jeopardy.

You may receive verbal reports or notes from me about your child having bruises or scrapes without needing to fear that I suspect you of abusing your child(ren). The verbal reports or notes that you may receive from me are just to alert you of any injuries noticed, and also to protect myself from mistaken accusations of abuse.

Complaints About the Operation of a Child Care Program

Communication between parents and the provider is essential if your child is to receive consistent, nurturing care. When I accept a new family into my business, I like to be sure that we can share openly any concerns or questions that may arise. It is important that there is a similar childcare philosophy between us. I welcome questions, feedback, or discussions of any kind that effect a positive outcome for the child.

If concerns cannot be satisfactorily resolved between us, you take your concerns to the following agencies:

1. Isanti County Family Services Child Protection Intake (for reporting of suspected maltreatment) at 763-689-1711 or
2. Isanti County Child Care Licensing (Family & Group Family Licensed Homes) at 763-689-1711; or
3. Minnesota Department of Human Services, Licensing Division, (Child Care Centers) at (651) 296-3971

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Parent Signature	Date	Provider Signature

These Policies and Procedures must be provided to the parents of all children at the time of enrollment in the child care program, and be made available upon request